

Magdalena School Newsletter

May 2021

From Dr. Haven

Hola, Hello & Yá'át'ééh,

Unbelievable! The 2020-2021 school year is quickly coming to an end and it seems like we just got started! It felt like it was just yesterday that our students returned to in-person learning. It is true when they say that time seems to fly by when you are having fun. It was fun to see their young faces arrive and now we will be sad to see them go for the summer.

We want to congratulate the Class of 2021 as they see their graduation day quickly arriving. I truly believe that they never thought they would experience this special day in their lives, but May 21st is finally here! The many hardships and challenges that they had to overcome and yet still be the best student that they can become and graduate is admirable. Great job Seniors! I wish all of you the best with your promising future!

Thank you parents, teachers and staff members for a school year that will be unforgettable both good and bad. If I may be of service to you, I can be reached at (575) 854-8013 or email me at ghaven@magschools.us. Until then ... see you next year!

Ahéhee', Muchas Gracias, Thank you!
Dr. Glenn Haven, Superintendent

Students 16+ Eligible for Vaccination
Magdalena Students 16 and older are now eligible for vaccinations and will be given priority for first-dose appointments made through the NMDOH COVID Vaccine Registration at : cuvaccine.nmhealth.org/

There is a parental consent form that needs to be completed if you are under the age of 18. I will have them available at the Nurse's Office.

If you have any questions, need help registering, or need the consent form please contact me at 575-854-8030
Thank you.
Nurse Holly

Conversations with Mrs. Clark

"Just whose responsibility is it?" As a MS/HS Principal, this is a question that's been asked far too often lately--as well as concerns such as "my child is failing, you haven't contacted me, no one told me, my child is in trouble, my child hasn't been . . . and then, primarily, "what did you do for the rest of the students in trouble?" These questions and situations are detrimental to our children.

My responses have always been that "our school members are always available to talk with you and help you check on your child, we also have the Parent Portal through our grading system to stay on top of your child's assignments, we regularly send out Progress Reports, and all of our employees have phone numbers & email addresses for you to reach out and respond to messages in a timely manner. And lastly, and perhaps most important with some parents, "you should not be concerned about how other students are coping & performing and should focus solely on your child's success."

When I'm disciplining or helping your child develop a plan for educational success, I try to only focus on that one child and **their** needs. Often parents feel that their child isn't getting a fair deal. Here is my promise to you and your child: "I will listen to their story and hear what their needs are, I will try to help them overcome, persevere, or at least manage all of their situations. I will instill in them that they are strong & what they are dealing with can be overcome, and I will help them achieve success with their personality in mind." This help and support will come from me and all of our school's staff; you can count on it! Right now though, let's all focus on finishing strong this last month, helping your child catch up on some of the academics they have lost this school year, and all students will be starting fresh in August.

Leslie Clark,
Middle/High School Principal

Spring Talent Show

The Spring Talent Show will be held on Wednesday, May 12 at 6pm in the Fine Arts Center. It will be streamed live, and only parents/family of the participants will be allowed in the audience

Child Find

Magdalena Schools will be offering a virtual Child Find, free developmental screening for children ages Birth-5 years during the months of March and April. The screening tool is a form that you can fill out at home and return to Magdalena Schools. Our Early Childhood Intervention Team will review your screening form and contact you with the results. Every family that turns in a form will be entered into a drawing for wagon! If you are interested in completing a developmental screening for your child, please contact Jennifer Armstrong at 854-8010.

Volleyball

Congratulations to Kenzie Silva -All District and All State Honorable Mention; Jorianne Mirabal - All District; and Irene Martinez-All District

May Day

May 1st - Known as May Day. In the 19th and 20th centuries in America, people would leave a paper basket or cone with spring flowers and sweets on each other's doorsteps, usually anonymously. The custom was to knock on the door, yell "May basket!", and then run. Today, May Day is an official holiday in 66 countries and unofficially celebrated in many more, but ironically it is rarely recognized here in the USA.



CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2021!

Important Dates

- Mon., May 17th Board Meeting 6 pm @ Fine Arts Center or Zoom. Venue dependent on County Color and COVID-19 Restrictions.
- Friday, May 21st Graduation Parade 5:30 pm
- Friday, May 21st Graduation Ceremony 6 pm Football Field
- Thursday, May 27th Last Day of School
- Thursday, May 27th Early Release 12 pm